

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :
: *Michael G. ALLISTON et al.* : Atty Docket: 0386/00295
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Serial No.: To be assigned : Art Unit: To be assigned
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For: PROCESS CHAMBER IN :
CONNECTION WITH A :
FLUIDIZED BED REACTOR :
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-captioned case as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Immediately after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

--Cross reference to related applications.

This is a continuing application of pending U.S. application Serial No. 09/552,557, filed April 19, 2000, and entitled "Process Chamber in Connection with a circulating Fluidized bed Reactor".--

R E M A R K S

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to improve their format. None of these amendments is believed to involve any new matter.

the application as so amended receive an examination on the merits, and that the claims as now presented receive an early allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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